

**2002- 2003 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES  
FOR FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK  
In Child Nutrition Programs  
(Effective from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003)**

Participants from households with incomes at or below the following levels  
may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals or free milk.

FREE ELIGIBILITY SCALE				REDUCED-PRICE ELIGIBILITY SCALE		
Lunch, Breakfast, Milk				Lunch, Breakfast		
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK	YEAR	MONTH	WEEK
1	\$11,518	\$ 960	\$ 222	\$16,391	\$1,366	\$ 316
2	\$15,522	\$1,294	\$ 299	\$22,089	\$1,841	\$ 425
3	\$19,526	\$1,628	\$ 376	\$27,787	\$2,316	\$ 535
4	\$23,530	\$1,961	\$ 453	\$33,485	\$2,791	\$ 644
5	\$27,534	\$2,295	\$ 530	\$39,183	\$3,266	\$ 754
6	\$31,538	\$2,629	\$ 607	\$44,881	\$3,741	\$ 864
7	\$35,542	\$2,962	\$ 684	\$50,579	\$4,215	\$ 973
8	\$39,546	\$3,296	\$ 761	\$56,277	\$4,690	\$1,083
For each additional family member, add:						
	+ \$4,004	+ \$334	+ \$77	+ \$5,698	+ \$475	+ \$110

- **BOTH** of the above scales must appear in the Sample Media Release
- **ONLY** the Reduced-Price Eligibility Scale may appear in the Letter to Households
- **ONLY** those schools that participate in the Special Milk Program and offer free milk should publish the free eligibility scale in both the Sample Media Release and the Letter to Households.

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